

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A security mechanism for a covered access opening comprising:

a cable lock assembly comprising:

a cable lock body defining a passage sized to receive a cable;

said cable including a first end sized to fit through said cable lock body and including a second end having an abutment;

a mechanism in said cable lock body engageable with said cable to permit movement through said passage in the direction in which it entered said passage and preventing movement of said cable in the opposite direction;

a housing;

said cable lock body being secured ~~in a~~ to said housing; and

said housing including a base adapted to be permanently affixed to a structure to be secured.

2. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein said housing defines a passage to receive said cable lock body and said cable lock body is permanently affixed ~~to a structure to be secured~~ said housing by welding.

3. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein said housing defines a passage to receive said cable lock body and said cable lock body is permanently affixed ~~to a structure to be secured~~ said cable lock body by an adhesive.

4. (original) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein said housing further includes at least one leg that extends from said base and wherein said base is adapted to be permanently affixed to a structure to be secured through said at least one leg of said housing.

5. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein said mechanism in said cable lock body comprises a spring and a ball, said spring and ball being arranged to releasably urge said ball against said cable to prevent movement of said cable in said opposite direction.

6. (currently amended) A security mechanism for a covered access opening comprising:

a covered access structure comprising:

a first member defining an access opening;

a second member adapted to cover said access opening defined by said first member;

a hasp having at least one component positioned on said first and at least one other component positioned on said second member;

a cable lock assembly comprising;

a cable lock body defining a passage sized to receive a cable;

said cable including a first end sized to fit through said cable lock body and including a second end having an abutment;

a mechanism in said cable lock body engageable with said cable to permit movement through said passage in the direction in which it entered said passage and preventing movement of said cable in the opposite direction;

a housing;

said cable lock body being secured ~~in a~~ to said housing; and

~~said housing including a base;~~

wherein said housing is ~~adapted to be~~ permanently affixed to one of said first and second members.

7. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6 wherein said ~~housing~~
cable lock body is permanently affixed to ~~a structure to be secured~~ said housing by welding.
8. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6 wherein said ~~housing~~
cable lock body is permanently affixed to ~~a structure to be secured~~ said housing by an adhesive.
9. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6 wherein said housing
further includes a base, and at least one leg that extends from said base and wherein said base is
~~adapted to be~~ permanently affixed to ~~a structure to be secured~~ said one of said first and second
members through said at least one leg of said housing.
10. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6 wherein said
mechanism in said cable lock includes a spring and a ball, said spring and ball being arranged to
releasably urge said ball against said cable to prevent movement of said cable in said opposite
direction.
11. (new) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 7 wherein said housing is secured to
one of said first and second members by welding.
12. (new) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 8 wherein said housing is secured to
one of said first and second members by an adhesive.